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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5138

AMEMBASSY BOGOTA IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: CUBA

AS HE HAD PROMISED, FONMIN SCHACHT TELEPHONED ME THIS EVENING TO SAY THAT AFTER CONVERSATION WITH BLANCO LATTER HAD INDICATED THAT FASCIO CONTEMPLATED NO FURTHER INITIATIVE AT THIS TIME. I REPLIED THAT I HAD JUST RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND IT WAS CLEAR THAT SUCH A DECISION IN SAN JOSE WOULD BE WELCOME IN WASHINGTON. WHAT WE WANTED WAS NO, RPT NO MEETING OF OAS AT THIS TIME. WHAT WE THOUGHT BEST WAS FOR EVERYONE TO KEEP STILL AND DO NOTHING. AS FOR SUGGESTION THAT WASHINGTON ISSUE A DECLARATION ON UPI STORY, WE DID NOT INTEND TO TAKE SUCH AN INITIATIVE OURSELVES, BUT WOULD BE WILLING TO SUPPORT A STATEMENT IF VENEZUELA WANTED TO MAKE ONE. ON THE WHOLE, IN VIEW OF FASCIO'S POSITION AND OUR OWN, IT SEEMED TO ME THAT SILENCE AND THE ABSENCE OF ACTION WOULD BE THE COURSE OF WISDOM. SCHACHT SAID HE WOULD REPORT THESE SUGGESTIONS TO PRESIDENT PEREZ AT ONCE. WE AGREED TO CONFER AGAIN ON MONDAY. THEREFORE, VIEWS OF DEPARTMENT AND EMBASSIES BOGOTA AND SAN JOSE WOULD BE WELCOME.

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